

Will Gov. Folk please tell us under what statute he offers a reward for the apprehension of a fugitive from justice and then qualifies the offer with the words, "and conviction"?

Is it fated that the Panama canal shall bring retribution for the wanton outrage against a sister republic some two years ago? The reports of life and treasure expenditure on the projected ditch are not edifying or encouraging to anybody except those who have their fingers in.

The tariff on alcohol is \$2.07 a gallon—prohibitive, of course. In countries not blessed with the Great American System, alcohol sells at from ten to fifteen cents a gallon, and is used as fuel for motors, for heating, lighting and cooking. It is cheaper than gasoline, and is not dangerous to the user. There is hardly a vegetable from which alcohol cannot be made, and consequently the fluid can be produced in any quantity desired. Like the dampfools we are, we deny ourselves its free use, and pay tribute to the Standard Oil monopoly. Some day, maybe, there will arise a wiser generation, when a so-called free people will no longer submit to being bound hand and foot to the mercy of their shearers; or, rather, when they will refuse to bind themselves and glory in their servitude, and when the promise of "a full dinner-pail" will not make atonement for the sacrifice of their manhood.

My friend McGuire, of the Jackson Cash-Book, is a gentleman whose good opinion I justly highly prize. I have known him and enjoyed his friendship for many years. Though occasionally called upon by my perhaps poorer judgment to differ from him, it has never abated a jot the esteem in which I hold his acknowledged and unquestioned integrity of thought and purpose. He has the courage of his convictions, and one always knows "where he is at." I like that sort of man, and therefore it is with profound sorrow that I find him charging me with "inconsistency" in my opposition to and denunciation of Gov. Folk and his methods, both as candidate and Chief Executive. In defense, I will restate as briefly as may be, the causes which have led me to unfaith and that which some people may term political heresy.

When Folk, as circuit attorney, began his war upon boodling and bootlicks, I looked with favor upon him, though I did not like the fulsome exploitation of his endeavors in the city papers. He was, in the prosecution of wrongdoers, doing simply his duty under his oath of office, as many another official did before him and will do after him. In my innocence I supposed those exploitations were merely the self-suggestive efforts of a press-a-hungering for news and sensation; that the circuit attorney was made the means for filling vacant space and selling superabundant papers, and no doubt he was experiencing and deprecating the sycophantic notoriety that ever attends rising greatness. When, later, I learned that his own Literary Bureau was dazzling the understanding of the groundlings with these lucubrations, it gave me an impression of his self-seeking that later observation widened and deepened. That he prosecuted, not from a sense of duty, but for personal advancement, I firmly believe, as well as that his every subsequent official action has sprung from the same motive. He is too spectacular to be the real thing. His fool and vainglorious order that all lobbyists must report to him on their arrival at the State Capital and that he limited their stay to thirty hours—if that was not a mountebank's play to the galleries, how can it be designated? What would you say, Bro. Mac, if President Teddy assumed such autocratic power? His vetoing Home Rule for the cities, after having inscribed it on his ante-election banner as a second I. H. S., showed that our Governor could facetiously call the turn to fit expediency. Why everything he has done in this connection proves that of all anti-Home Rulers he is the chiefest—so long as it redounds to his own glory. He, in pursuance thereof, whenever he hears of a local disturbance in any county, forthwith dispatches an officer of the Commonwealth to the scene to enforce the law and vindicate the dignity of the State: thus affirming his belief that the citizens thereof lack either the virtue or the desire, or both, to care for their own concerns: that out from

under the 'egis of his godly protection is chaos. He may be right in this, but, if so, he ought to have honestly avowed his conviction before, as well as after, his election. I have time and again asserted the various other reasons for my lack of faith in the Great Reformer. His drawing a salary as circuit attorney of \$1000 a year more than he was entitled to under inhibition of the fundamental law of the State showed that he was either grossly ignorant in his profession or that his kettle was in no condition to safely hurl the epithet "black" at other people's pots; his pretended loathing for the Democratic "machine," as he was pleased to term it, while at the same time he was building one in his own interest to which the former was as a sucking dove to a chickenhawk; his assuming the mantle of Pristine Purity in politics while he held office the title to which was questioned and to the rightful determination of which he had interposed the technicality of law: that which may comfortably shield the sordid politician ought to be disdained by him clothed in Virtue's armor of proof; his campaign insinuation that the contest between himself and his competitors was a question of boodle and anti-boodle, and that those who were not for him were against the honesty and integrity of the party. I was not for him: ergo, my political righteousness, at the best, was questionable. I am no better to-day than I was a year ago, and as I saw things then so I still see them. My convictions are the same except that they are intensified by subsequent developments. I bowed to the will of my party in the hope that in the end conversion to the wisdom of its dictum might follow. 'Tis not the first time disappointment came instead; but, as in the past, it is still my right to dissent and criticize, and I expect to use that right as a duty so long as reason abides. The Cash-Book is, too, a good kicker out of the traces, and more than once it and the REGISTER have kicked together; not "inconsistently," but devoutly, if ineffectively. In '93 they did some vigorous kicking, albeit the party's seal of approval had been set upon them we complained of. The memory thereof is not veiled in regret, and I have no fears for the future. Bro. Mac, on the first page of this paper I publish your criticism of me in full; I know I need not remind you of aught that pertains to courtesy, to say nothing of the fairness of one friend to another.

#### Des Are Items.

Farmers have about all their crops laid by. The lumber and hub timber is moving at a more lively rate. It seems wonderful to see the amount of lumber hauled to this place every day. Just a few years ago people thought the timber was about all cut out around this country, but still new saw mills are starting up all the time. Quite a number from this place attended the funeral of Dock Reese at Annapolis Saturday. He was a brakeman on the I. M. R'y, running from Piedmont to Hoxie. He was killed at Hoxie Friday afternoon by a switch engine. His funeral was conducted by the B. of R. T. and I. O. O. F. lodge, of which orders he was a member. We were very much shocked to hear the sad news of this young man's death. He had many friends who sympathize with the bereaved family in their dark hour of sorrow. Among those from this place who attended the funeral were Jas. Lovelace, Jr., and wife, Mrs. Dr. N. A. Farr, Mrs. Chas. Williams and daughter, Misses Allie and Maude Fitz. Mrs. John Stevenson and children, accompanied by her sister, Miss Grace Graham, visited her mother in Ironton last week. Wm. Keathley from Naylor, Mo. is visiting home folk. Ray Stamp left Wednesday for several weeks' visit with his parents at Gainesville, N. Y. Miss Nellie Williams visited in Piedmont last week. Art Myers spent Sunday at home. Mrs. Sherman Ballard is visiting relatives at Piedmont. Mrs. Meadows returned to her home at Flat River Monday, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Jamison. The following changes in the mill business have been made here: Wm. Hay has bought out Wm. Russell, and the firm is now Wm. Hay & Co.; their mill is on the St. Francois river. Bolin, Reno & Co. have bought out Wm. Russell and have moved their mill near J. H. Raney's, close to Patterson, Mo. Wm. Stevenson has bought out Dave White at Brainerd, store, buildings, etc. White will go to the Holy Land, in Texas. Stevenson & Sullivan have moved their mill down on Sinking Creek, six miles west of Gad's Hill. Chas. Stevenson shipped a car of hogs Monday. Dement Bros. are shipping lots of lumber at present. ISAAC. Griffin Exeursion Season 1905. Popular Sunday excursions from St. Louis to Points on the Missouri Pacific Railway and Iron Mountain Route. Ask your Agent for list of dates, and tell your city friends to visit you.

#### Sabula Items.

We are having more rain and the prospects are better for corn than it has been for years. C. C. Collins shipped a car load of cattle from this place Monday. We were sorry to hear of the death of L. L. Reese, a boy from Annapolis, who was killed at Hoxie, Ark. His train was just getting ready to leave when a switch engine came up behind him and killed him. His brother, sister and parents have our sympathy. Our school began here Monday. Miss Lula Polk is the teacher. We hope there will be perfect satisfaction again this year. Misses Alice Long and Macy and Missouri Collins, of Collinsville, were in town Sunday. We failed to have preaching here Sunday as our preacher has gone to Tennessee. John Chadburn passed through here on his way home. He had been to visit his father who is very sick. Mrs. R. I. January and family spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. A. E. Shy. Mrs. Ella Sweeza and Miss Olla Shy passed through here on their way to Kansas City one day last week. SNOWFAKE.

Star tobacco 45c a plug at Lopez Store Co.

#### A Guaranteed Cure for Piles.

Itching, bleeding, blind or protruding piles. Druggists refund money if Pazo Ointment fails to cure any case, no matter of how long standing, in 6 to 14 days. First application gives ease and rest. 50c. If your druggist hasn't it, send 50c in stamps and it will be forwarded post-paid by Paris Medicine Co., St. Louis, Mo.

#### Bellevue Items.

Having been away from this locality most of the time for the past five weeks, I shall not be able to report many of the news items that otherwise would have been reported. Everything out here is remarkably quiet, while business with our merchants appears to be somewhat better. Chas. Hartman and wife, of Mann, are now residents of this town, where Mr. H. has charge of the post-office. Among others from this point who were in Ironton Saturday the 5th, were J. H. Price, T. N. Marr, Aub. Edmonds and J. T. Patterson. Gentry Ramsey spent a few days last week in Reynolds county, looking over the country as a prospective purchaser of a farm. J. H. Barger, one of Montana's up-to-date farmers, was in town Monday last. Miss Gertrude Fitzpatrick is now teaching school in the west end of this county. Miss Ethel Hawkins will begin school on Imboden Monday, September 4th. Miss Maude Ferguson has been employed as an assistant teacher in the Graniteville school. This will be her fifth term in that school. Assessor Lewis was out in the West End last week. H. Latham has just recently purchased a new buggy and harness. Geo. Strickland and Marion Crocker, of Clones, passed through the valley Sunday en route for Ironton. J. G. Hartman is now engaged at Munger, Reynolds county, teaching school. Mr. Jones and two other gentlemen from Illinois recently came out here, and are now building a house on Mr. Price's land, where they will assist Mr. Price in clearing up and otherwise improving his farm. They will probably bring in one of the fairer sex in the near future to make home life somewhat more attractive. Like nearly all others who come here from the prairies of Illinois, they appear to be perfectly enthused with the infinite grandeur of the Ozarks. It is reported that six other farmers from Illinois will land in this valley next week, and will locate south of town. The Illinois colony is still increasing very rapidly. J. M. Hawkins went to Ironton Saturday after his daughter, Miss Ethel. Married—At the residence of the bride's parents, on Wednesday evening, Miss Letha Moyer to B. P. Burnham. We wish them success and happiness. P.

FOR SALE—A 30-foot smoke-stack, 2 feet, 6 inches at the base. In good condition. Will be sold cheap. Apply to Ozark Red Granite Co., Graniteville, Mo.

#### Buy It Now.

Now is the time to buy Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It is certain to be needed sooner or later and when that time comes you will need it badly—you will need it quickly. Buy it now. It may save life. For sale by Arcadia Valley Drug Co.

# OUR SEMI-ANNUAL Clearing Sale Is Now On!

**T**HE unfavorable weathr of the past fw weeks, together with very liberal early buying, has left on our hands a very large and select stock of Summer Merchandise, which we propose to move at once. We do not believe in carrying goods from one season to the next and have reduced the price from One-Third to One-Half on all Summer Goods

## Summer Millinery.

Choice Lot of Street and Trimmed Hats Slaughtered—Cost not Considered.

Children's Sailors, 50c grade; clearing price 29c  
Milan Straw Sailors, \$1.50 and \$1.75 value; clearing price 98c  
Ladies' Trimmed Hats, were \$2.50 and \$2.25; now go at 98c  
Ladies' tailored Hats, were \$4.50; now \$2 50  
\$6 and \$7 Pattern Hats at Half Price.

## Wash Fabrics.

5c & 6c Figured Lawns reduced to 3 & 4c yd  
9 & 10c " " " 6 & 7c yd  
12 1-2c " " " 10c yd  
15c " " " 12c yd  
Fancy colored Linens, worth 25c yd; reduced to 17 1-2c  
Fancy Cheviots for shirting or shirt waists, 9c value; for 5 1-2c yd  
Large lot fancy Dress Gingham, worth 9 and 10c; clearing price 5 1-2c yd  
2000 yards Calico, all colors, including best makes; clearing price 3 1/2 & 4c yd  
Short length Calico 6 & 6c value, at 3 1/2 & 4c  
Apron Gingham, all colors, 7 1-2c quality, going at 5c yd  
Yard wide bleached Domestic, worth 7 1-2c, for 5c yd  
Yard wide brown Domestic, worth 8c, for 5c yd

## Men's Underwear.

Fancy colors was 35c garment, clearing price 25c a garment or 45c suit.  
Large lot Sample Underwear, manufactured to sell at 50c a garment; clearing price 25c each.

## Ladies' Muslin Underwear.

Large Stock at Great Reduction.

Corset covers, 35c grade; clearing price 25c  
" " 65c " " 40c  
" " 85c " " 65c  
Gowns, \$1 grade; clearing price 75c  
" \$1.25 & 1.35 grade; go for \$1.00  
Drawers, 40c grade, for 25c  
" 70c " " 50c  
" \$1.25 grade, for 98c

#### CHEMISE AND SKIRTS.

\$1.40 grade, going at \$1.00  
\$2.25 and 2.50 grade, going at 1 65

#### LADIES' VESTS.

Large number, worth 8c, clearing price 4c  
10c grade, clearing price 8c  
15c grade, 12c

## SHIRT WAIST BARGAINS.

Profits annihilated. Without doubt the best values ever offered in Ironton. Shirt Waists made of fine white lawns, front trimmed with insertion of open embroidery and tucks; new sleeves.  
65c Waists, clearing price 45c  
\$1.25 " " 90c  
1.50 " " \$1.00  
2.50 " " 1.75  
See Them on Display.

## Ladies' Skirts.

Ladies' Wash Skirts, White Duck, Pique and Linens.

Regular \$1.25 value, clearing price 95c  
Colored linens, regular 95c value, for 65c  
Skirts worth regular from \$1.35 to \$1.50, going at \$1.00  
Our entire stock of Ladies' Walking Skirts, including Mohairs and Panamas, plain and fancy, price cut to the limit.  
\$5.25 Skirts reduced to \$3.50  
4.00 " " 2.90  
3.25 " " 2.50

## Folding Fans.

Folding Fans, made of parchment with picture, for 4c  
Silk folding Fans, worth 40c, for 25c  
" " worth 75c, for 50c

## Men's, Youths' and Boys' Clothing.

Price Cutting Knife has been Mercilessly Applied in this Department.

Boys' wash suits, sizes 4 to 8, former price 90c, going at 65c  
Boys' wash suits, were \$1.50; now \$1.15  
Men's fine summer suits, former price \$13.50; now 10.00  
Men's fine summer suits, former price \$16.00; now 13.50  
Special lot Coats and Vests, excellent quality, worth \$5; clearing price 2.00  
Men's Trousers, best material and workmanship.  
\$2.75 and 3.00 grades cut to \$2.25  
3.25 and 3.50 " " 2.75  
3.75 and 4.00 " " 3.15  
Boys' Knee Pants 15c and Up.

## Shoes==OXFORDS.

Special Bargains in Ladies' and Misses' Oxfords. Every pair stylish, up-to-date and built for service.

Ladies' Tan Oxfords, very stylish toe, Cuban or military heel, easily worth \$1.75; clearing sale price \$1.15  
Easily worth \$2.00; clearing price 1.35  
Finest Oxfords in the store, worth \$3.50, going at 2.50  
Misses' Oxfords, strong, stylish, for 75c  
Misses' Patent Oxfords, \$2 value, for 1.35

## Groceries.

Grocery Specials During Clearing Sale.

Extraordinary value in Green Coffee; regular 20c grade; during clearing sale 8 pounds for \$1.00  
Fancy Java roasted Coffee, a 25c quality; put up in 5 pound sacks, at per sack 90c  
Best Standard Granulated Sugar, 16 pounds for \$1.00  
Star Tobacco, per plug 45c  
Battle Ax Tobacco, per plug 30c  
Good value Tobacco, 10c plug for 5c

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